Central Incentive Schemes for the industrial development of backward areas

757. SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Inter-Ministerial Committee constituted to review and revise the Central Incentive Scheme for the industrial development of backward areas had submitted its report in December, 1986;

(b) if so, what are the recommendations made in the report; and

(c) what are the details of the action taken by Government on these recommendations ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The Inter-Ministerial Committee's recommendations *inter-alia* deal with :—

(a) Establishment of growth centres.

(b) Identification of backward districts.

(c) Revision of existing Central Incentive Scheme.

The Government have taken the following decisions which have a bearing on the main recommendations of the Inter-Ministerial Committee.

(a) The Central Investment Subsidy Scheme has been discontinued with effect from 1-10-1988;

(ii) A scheme to set up 100 new growth centres all over the country endowed with necessary infrastructural facilities in respect of power, water, telecommunication and banking has been announced.

The recommendations of the Inter-Ministerial Committee are being examined in the light of decisions already taken.

White Paper on Public Sector

758. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government promised a White Paper on the Public Sector and if so, when;

(b) what was the objective of this White Paper;

(c) what were the remedial steps contemplated by Government through the White Paper; and

(d) what is the present stage of this White Paper ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) to (d) Yes, Sir. A White Paper on the Public Sector was promised by the then Prime Minister in his 1987 Budget speech with the objective of further improving the working of Public Sector Enterprises as well as enhancing their autonomy and making them accountable for results. The draft of that White Paper remained under the consideration of the Government till the new Government took over.

This Government will present a White Paper on Public Sector later this year as was announced in the Presidential Address to the Parliament on 12-3-1990.

Transfer of Manuguru power project from centre to the state sector

759. PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal for transfer of Manuguru Power

Project from Centre to the State Sector; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) and (b) There is no proposal to transfer the proposed Manuguru Super Thermal Power Project of the National Thermal Power Corporation from the Central to the State Sector.

Hike in the deposit of Maruti 800 Cars

760. PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the deposit for Maruti 800 cars has been raised to Rupees one lakh;

(b) if so, what are the reasons for such an increase;

(c) whether Government have considered the effect of this rise on the sale of the car; and

(d) if so, what is the assessment of Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The reason for such an increase is to curb speculative bookings in the market and to ensure that a genuine customer gets his vehicle in the shortest possible time.

(c) and (d) Since the Scheme has been introduced only on 22nd Feb. 90, it has not been possible to assess its impact on the sale of the Car so far.

761. [*Transferred to the 27th March 1990*]

Development of Industries in Karnataka

762. SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of industries which have been set up in Karnataka, during Seventh Plan period, district-wise and year-wise;

(b) what is the number for major and medium industries set up in private and public sector in this State; and

(c) what steps Government propose to take to develop more industries in the State?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) to (c) Names/details of industries alredy set up in the country, including Karnataka State, are not maintained centrally in the Ministry of Industry. However, information relating to the number of industrial licences (IL) granted under the provisions of Industries (Development & Regulation) Act, 1951 during the Seventh Plan period for setting up of industries in Karnataka State, district-wise and year-wise is given below:—

1	2	3	4	5	6
Name of district	1985-86	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90 (upto Jan.,'90)
	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL
1. Bidar	—	1	..	1	..
2. Bijapur	1	..	1	..	..